

## AGENCY FOR THE PROHIBITION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN LATIN AMERICA AND THE CARIBBEAN

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## Report on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Education presented by the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (OPANAL) to the United Nations Office for Disarmament Affairs (UNODA) in reference to resolution 69/65 entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education" adopted by the General Assembly on 2 December 2014.

Disarmament and non-proliferation education continues to be a core item on the agenda of the Agency for the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons in Latin America and the Caribbean (OPANAL).

The outreach efforts undertaken to promote nuclear disarmament education, include, inter alia:

- The organization of two courses on "Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation Education" decided by the General Conference in 2016 (CG/Res.01/2015).
- An Internship Programme for graduate and postgraduate students and young diplomats in the headquarters of the Agency. It offers three positions for internship. In order to increase the participation of Caribbean States in its activities, the Agency offers one internship position for candidates from the Community of Caribbean States (CARICOM) with the financial support of the Netherlands, a State Party to Additional Protocol I to the Treaty of Tlatelolco.
- The submission of working papers and the issuance of communiqués and declarations, including the 2014 and 2015 OPANAL Member States Declarations on the International Day for the Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons (26 September), in which OPANAL Member States "undertake to continue to work for the implementation of nuclear disarmament education programmes, convinced that they are an effective means for contributing to the consolidation of international peace and security".

Moreover, the General Conference of OPANAL has urged its Member States "to continue to conduct outreach efforts, through the widest range media channels, on the Treaty of Tlatelolco and the efforts of OPANAL" (CG/Res.01/2015).

OPANAL continues to support the initiatives and activities on nuclear disarmament and nonproliferation education of the States Party to the Treaty of Tlatelolco, namely seminars, courses and lectures as is the case of the Summer Course on Nuclear Disarmament and Non-Proliferation organized annually by the Government of Mexico since 2014.

As an integral part of its efforts to promote nuclear disarmament and non-proliferation education, partnerships with the Academia, non-governmental organizations and think tanks providing relevant outreach information have also continued. In this connection, the Secretary-General has accepted numerous invitations to deliver presentations at Ministries of Foreign Affairs of Member States (Chile, Brazil, and Mexico) and other States (United Kingdom), in universities, and in radio and television broadcasts.